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1. It was reported that the civilian population along the Yugoslav-Albanian border had been forced to evacuate various regions. The area extending from the sea (sic) to Lake Prespes, over a width of several kilometers, has been declared a military zone, and the use of this area as pasture-land is now prohibited.
2. The railroad yards of Durres (located north of the Durres-Tirana highway) allegedly have available five locomotives and a limited number of railroad cars.
3. The construction of new camps, the approximate size of which would be about 1 x 2 kilometers, has been initiated in the Miciopoliti and Finiq areas.
4. The projected construction of a road between Finiq and Saranda is presently under consideration.
5. "Cominform" Yugoslav refugees arriving in Albania reportedly find themselves drafted into military brigades under the command of Soviet officers. Unconfirmed reports indicate the formation, in the Shkoder area, of four brigades of undetermined size.
6. A training school for officer cadets of the Rebel Army is reportedly operating in Noprravishte.

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